

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached replacement drawing sheets makes changes to Fig. 56 and replaces the original sheet with Fig. 56.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, Fig. 56 and claims 1, 14 and 25 are amended. No new matter is added. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejections are respectfully requested.

I. Objection to the Drawings

The Office Action objects to Fig. 56 due to informalities. Fig. 56 is amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. Withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

II. Double Patenting Rejection

The Office Action provisionally rejects claims 1-25 under non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-16 of co-pending Patent Application No. 11/045,270. Applicants respectfully disagree. The alleged conflicting claims are directed to a teleconference system and method that generates and registers a session key. These features are not present in pending claims 1, 14 or 25. Thus, the claims are not conflicting. Moreover, various features recited within independent claims 1, 14 and 25 are not taught by or obvious from claims 1-16 of the co-pending application. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

III. Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112, Second Paragraph

The Office Action rejects claims 14 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 14 and 25 have been amended to obviate the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

IV. Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §101

The Office Action rejects claim 25 under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claim 25 has been amended to obviate the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

V. The Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Office Action rejects claims 1-6, 8, 10-14 and 16-25 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/001,448 to Dalal (Dalal); rejects claim 15 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Dalal; and rejects claims 7-9 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Dalal and further in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2005/0178833 to Kisliakov. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, a shared workspace server "for sharing and editing files to enable users to perform cooperative work between the site systems." Independent claims 14 and 25 recite, *inter alia*, "sharing and editing files to enable users to perform cooperative work between site systems." Support for the amendments can be found in the specification at, for example, page 33, lines 8-14.

The passage of Dalal relied on by the Office Action for disclosing the recited feature merely discloses a creation and storage of a conference database record. Thus, Dalal fails to teach or disclose sharing and editing files to enable users to perform cooperative work between site servers. Kisliakov fails to cure the deficiencies of Dalal. Accordingly, the applied references, alone or in combination, fail to teach or disclose each and every feature of independent claims 1, 14 and 25.

For at least these reasons, independent claims 1, 14 and 25 and the claims dependent therefrom, are patentable over the applied references. Withdrawal of the rejections of the claims is respectfully requested.

VI. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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